

Did You Know?

- Of all the earth's water, 97% is salt water found in oceans and seas.
- Only 1% of the earth's water is available for drinking water. Two percent is currently frozen.
- About two thirds of the human body is water. Some parts of the body contain more water than others. For example, 70% of your skin is water.
- Typically, households consume approximately 30% of their water for outdoor use, such as watering the lawn. Inside, toilets use the most water, with an average of 27 gallons per person per day.
- The average daily requirement for fresh water in the United States is about 40 billion gallons a day, with about 300 billion gallons used untreated for agriculture and commercial purposes.
- You can survive about a month without food, but only 5 to 7 days without water.
- The average five-minute shower takes between 15 to 25 gallons of water.
- You can refill an 8 oz glass of water approximately 15,000 times for the same cost as a six-pack of soda.
- An automatic dishwasher uses approximately 9 to 12 gallons of water while hand washing dishes can use up to 20 gallons.
- If every household in America had a faucet that dripped once each second, 928 million gallons of water a day would leak away.
- A dairy cow must drink four gallons of water to produce one gallon of milk.
- One gallon of water weighs approximately 8 ½ pounds.
- One inch of rainfall drops 7,000 gallons, or nearly 30 tons of water, on a $60' \times 180'$ piece of land.
- 300 million gallons of water are needed to produce a single day's supply of U.S. newsprint.
- A person should consume 2 ½ quarts of water per day (from all sources of water, food, etc.) to maintain health.